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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 4329.2683

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Tsunetoshi ARIKADO et al. )  
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Serial No.: 09/964,759 )  
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Filed: September 28, 2001 ) Group Art Unit: 3627  
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, ) Examiner: Andrew J. Rudy  
SALES METHOD FOR )  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, )  
SALES SYSTEM FOR )  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND )  
PROGRAM PRODUCT STORING )  
SALES PROGRAM FOR )  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE )

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a March 31, 2004 restriction requirement, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, claims 1–7; Group II, claims 8–11; Group III, claim 12; and Group IV, claims 13–26. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group IV, claims 13–26, without traverse.

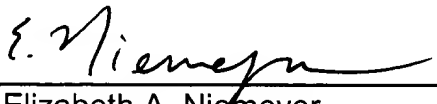
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Respectfully submitted,

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